

ADMINISTRATIVE MESSAGE

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FM CG MCCDC QUANTICO VA//WDID/DOC//

TO COMMARFORLANT//G3/G5//
COMMARFORPAC//G3/G5//
COMMARFORRES//G3/G5//
COMMARFOREUR//G3/G5//
COMMARFORSOUTH//G3/G5//
COMUSMARCENT//G3/G5//
COMUSMARFORK SEOUL KOR//G3/G5//

INFO CMC WASHINGTON DC//PPO//
CG MCCDC QUANTICO VA//DOC/MCU/MCWL/MSTP//
CG I MEF//G3/G5/G7/SOTG//
CG II MEF//G3/G5/G7/SOTG//
CG III MEF//G3/G5/SOTG//
COMNAVWARDEVCOM NEWPORT RI//N5//
ELEVENTH MEU//S3//
THIRTEENTH MEU SOC//S3//
FIFTEENTH MEU SOC//S3//
TWO TWO MEU//S3//
TWO FOUR MEU SOC//S3//
TWO SIX MEU SOC//S3//
THREE ONE MEU//S3//

UNCLAS //N03540//

MSGID/GENADMIN//

SUBJ/NAVAL COMMAND RELATIONS IN AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS AT PHIBGRU
/MEB-LEVEL/AND ABOVE//

REF/A/MSG/CINCPACFLT/232147ZJUN00//

REF/B/MSG/COMNAVWARDEVCOM/051800ZJUL00//

REF/C/MSG/CMC WASHINGTON DC/101900ZMAR00//

REF/D/MSG/CG MCCDC QUANTICO VA/241210ZMAR00//

NARR/REF A IS CINCPACFLT/CINCLANTFLT COORDINATED MESSAGE ON LACK OF
MEB-LEVEL AND ABOVE EVALUATION OF THE SUPPORT RELATIONSHIP AND
SOLICITS A WARGAME ISO DATA COLLECTION EFFORT. REF B IS NWDC VERSION
OF THIS MESSAGE. REF C IS CNO'S AND CMC'S AGREEMENT TO A ONE YEAR
TEST PERIOD TO GATHER OPERATIONAL LESSONS LEARNED ON THE SUPPORT
COMMAND RELATIONSHIP FOR USE IN REVISING JP 3-02, JOINT DOCTRINE FOR
AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS. REF D IS NWDC AND MCCDC MESSAGE GUIDANCE TO
FACILITATE THE DATA COLLECTION AND REPORTING PROCESS ISO CNO'S AND
CMC'S ONE YEAR TEST PERIOD.//

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RMKS/1. THIS IS A COORDINATED MESSAGE FROM COMMANDER, NAVY WARFARE DEVELOPMENT COMMAND (NWDC) AND COMMANDING GENERAL, MARINE CORPS COMBAT DEVELOPMENT COMMAND (MCCDC) AND HAS BEEN COORDINATED WITH HQMC (PP&O), OPNAV N3/N5, AND PRESIDENT NAVAL WAR COLLEGE.

2. IN RESPONSE TO REF A NWDC/MCCDC, WITH FLEET, MARFOR, AND NWC SUPPORT, INTEND TO CONDUCT SEMINAR WAR GAMES TO ACHIEVE INTENT OF REFS A, C, AND D CONCUR IN PLANNING A SERIES OF FLAG LEVEL WARGAMES. NWDC/MCCDC WILL BEGIN BY CONVENING A CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE (CDC) NLT JULY 00 TO OUTLINE TIMELINES, OBJECTIVES AND OTHER PLANNING DETAILS. ADDITIONALLY PLAN TO DEPLOY A DOCTRINE ANALYSIS TEAM TO CAPTURE DECISION PROCESSES IN LARGE-SCALE AMPHIBIOUS EXERCISES OVER THE COURSE OF THE EVALUATION PERIOD.

3. REQUEST COMMENTS ON THE FOLLOWING APPROACH NLT 14 JULY:

A. SEMINAR WAR GAMES. CONVENE A CDC DURING JULY 00 TO LAY OUT A SERIES OF SEMINARS/WARGAMES/EXERCISES THAT CAN BE LEVERAGED IN SUPPORT OF THIS EFFORT, BEGINNING WITH A FLAG LEVEL SEMINAR AT NWC AND FOLLOW ON EXPLOITATION OF SEA WOLF AND OTHER CANDIDATE WAR GAMES. MCCDC/NWDC WILL HOST AND COORDINATE THE FIRST WAR GAME SEMINAR. BECAUSE OF TIME AND LOGISTICS CONSTRAINTS, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THIS WILL BE THE ONLY GAME CONDUCTED WITHIN THE APRIL 01 DELIVERABLE REPORT WINDOW TO CMC/CNO. ALL MUST BE SCENARIO-DRIVEN TO ENSURE THE COMPLEXITY OF THE COMMAND RELATIONS IS FULLY EXPLORED.

B. INITIAL FLAG/GENERAL OFFICER SEMINAR IS ANTICIPATED AS A TWO TO THREE DAY EVENT INCLUDING HOT WASHUP AND WILL EXAMINE KEY DECISION MAKING POINTS DURING AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS UNDER VARIOUS SCENARIOS FROM SMALL SCALE CONTINGENCIES TO MAJOR THEATER WAR. THIS SEMINAR IS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED AT NWC NEWPORT, RI THE WEEK OF 22 JANUARY 01. CONCEPT DEVELOPMENT, INITIAL, MID, AND FINAL PLANNING CONFERENCES ARE SCHEDULED AS FOLLOWS:

07/19/00-07/20/00 CDC NWDC NEWPORT
10/02/00-10/06/00 IPC MCCDC QUANTICO
10/30/00-11/03/00 MPC VTC
12/11/00-12/15/00 FPC NWC NEWPORT

ATTENDEES AT CONFERENCES WILL INCLUDE FLEET/MEF, NWC, NWDC, AND MC REPRESENTATIVES. ACOS (N3/5-G3/5) LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES FROM OPERATING FORCES ARE REQUIRED FOR THE MPC VIA VTC.

C. EXERCISE DATA GATHERING. A DOCTRINE ANALYSIS TEAM OF NWDC AND MCCDC PERSONNEL PLAN TO ATTEND THE FOLLOWING MEB/MEF LEVEL EXERCISES:

8/26/00-9/01/00 ULCHI FOCUS LENS (UFL)

03/06/01-03/16/01 UNIFIED ENDEAVOR
03/19/01-04/08/01 KERNEL BLITZ

TO ASSIST IN ANALYZING DOCTRINAL ISSUES THE DOCTRINE TEAM WILL
GATHER DATA AT KEY LOCATIONS AND PROCESSES, TO INCLUDE:

- + FLAGPLOT
- + LANDING FORCE OPERATIONS CENTER (LFOC)
- + SUPPORTING ARMS CONTROL CENTER (SACC)
- + TACTICAL AIR CONTROL CENTER (TACC)
- + AMPHIBIOUS TASK FORCE INTELLIGENCE CENTER (ATFIC)
- + TACTICAL LOGISTICS CENTER (TACLOG)
- + HELICOPTER LOGISTICS SUPPORT CENTER (HLSC)
- + AIR, TARGETING, & COLLECTION MANAGEMENT BOARDS

4. THROUGH THIS COMBINED APPROACH OF WAR GAME SERIES AND
EXERCISE OBSERVATION NWDC AND MCCDC WILL EXAMINE A FULL SPECTRUM
OF TEST VENUES FOR THE SUPPORT COMMAND RELATIONSHIP ISO REFS C
AND D. THIS EFFORT WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DATA AND LESSONS
LEARNED IN APRIL 01 TO ASSIST THE NAVY AND MARINE CORPS IN
REVISING JOINT DOCTRINE FOR AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS.//

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